A GREEN GUIDE TO BOATING
PROTECT THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT


The guide features practical tips to reduce your boat’s impact on the water whilst preventing pollution and provides comprehensive information that boaters can take to protect the marine environment.

There is particular excitement about the release of A Green Guide to Boating. In 1973, the International Maritime Organization (IMO) adopted the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, now known universally as MARPOL.

MARPOL has contributed to a significant decrease in pollution from international shipping which applies to 99% of the world’s merchant tonnage. Other treaties address antifouling systems used on ships.

“The ocean affects us in profound ways. As an organization founded by yacht owners, one of our key goals is to directly reach out to yachters to further research, protect and restore our oceans and to raise awareness about the issues faced.”

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the transfer of invasive aquatic species by ships’ ballast water and the environmentally sound recycling of ships.

Recreational boating can also have an undesirable impact on marine ecosystems. Yet there is not one standard set of recommended best practices available that applies to recreational boating.

Based on an idea mooted by the late Steven Lek, a DISCOVERY Yacht Member of the SeaKeepers Asia Chapter, to provide practical help to boat owners, content for A Green Guide to Boating has been inspired by global practices, and is adapted to suit the United States of America (US) as well as Malaysia. A Green Guide to Boating (US & Asia version) is available at www.seakeepers.org/a-green-guide-to-boating.

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Scan the QR code to download the digital version of A Green Guide to Boating.